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Indiana Supreme Court



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JUDGE PRO TEMPORE IN )  
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MIAMI CIRCUIT COURT )

Case No. 52S00-1209-MS- 519

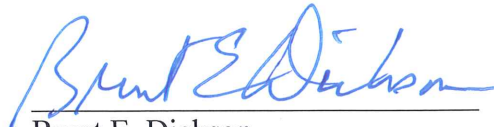
ORDER APPOINTING JUDGE PRO TEMPORE

This Court has received with sadness the news that the Honorable Robert A. Spahr, Judge of the Miami Circuit Court, has passed away. In light of his death, continuing the orderly administration of justice necessitates appointment of a Judge *Pro Tempore* to discharge temporarily the duties of the office. This Court has been advised that Senior Judge Douglas B. Morton is willing to serve as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Miami Circuit Court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Douglas B. Morton is appointed as Judge *Pro Tempore* in the Miami Circuit Court, effective September 17, 2012, and until the Governor names a successor or until further order of this Court. This order shall be sufficient authority for Judge Morton to continue the employment of court personnel and otherwise discharge the duties of Judge of the Miami Circuit Court. Judge Morton shall be entitled to compensation for this service, paid by the State of Indiana, computed at the same rate as the regular judge commencing from the effective date of his appointment, pursuant to T.R. 63(D).

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Miami Circuit Court, who is directed to enter this Order into the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Hon. Daniel C. Banina, Miami Superior Court No. 2, 25 North Broadway, Peru, IN 46970; to the Hon. David Grund, Miami Superior Court No. 1, 25 North Broadway, Peru, IN 46970; to the Hon. Douglas B. Morton; to the Division of State Court Administration, payroll department; and to the Indiana Judicial Center. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order on the Court's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

  
Brent E. Dickson  
Chief Justice of Indiana